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Each year, once a year,
I know that fireworks are launched on the night of the festival.
SFX: ZOOM

They've become more dazzling throughout the years
It's beautiful isn't it?
SFX. Boom x2
Our country's technology is quite impressive
Last year I watched the fireworks with you as well
...No, more like every year right?
It seems so

It can't be helped
It's because of the council and His Majesty Really everyone is crazy about the festival
Someone needs to keep watch in their absence
Were you ordered to be the sentry?
No
It would have been better if you went with them
Because even if I don't go to the festival, I can still see the fireworks.
That and...
I don't like crowds.
A long time ago, I was taken there by my father, but...
By Klan?
Yes.
But he lost me right away...
Oh...

If we could watch the fireworks here again next year.
Perhaps, that is the proof of peace.
That was...
What happened last year.
SFX: Rustle
So then.
This is all as usual

No tricks or anything... huh?
It's the same as last year huh?
You're complaining, heh
Outside of here where else can you use fireworks?
On broad daylight you can only launch smokeballs.
Mmm...
I wanted to launch the Boom-Boom ones before the match though.
Are you an idiot?
In broad daylight?
That kind of thing...
.....
...Is this really something that they must absolutely handle themselves?
Quit it. Stop acting like a kid!
Aren't there other people...

...Eh?
The fire-works
Angel
What do you think?
...If I say that it probably won't be accepted
. Whatever is fine
In that case, they just beat some drums!!
it's all good. There's still the sound
Like I said in the day time you can only use smokeballs and they can't really be seen
You idiot
if they go "Bam-bam!" before the match don't you think I'll look really cool?!

Lante
Right before the match
There's this thing?
Yes
There's that
I see
In that case, the fireworks will be rejected
Rejected?
Yes rejected
You probably won't get the OK from the Senate
That sort of thing
But, why?
Because it's 2 o'clock on a public holiday
Eh it's about the time?

I remember that one... quite an experience!
I was scolded for straying from the path
You were only a child. It probably couldn't be helped...
Will that Kian be able to raise a child? I worried about it
Seems like I didn't need to
He did it surprisingly well.
So... since next year we will also be watching the fireworks together...
Shall we spice it up a bit?

Spice it up?
How so?
Perhaps bring some sake*?
I don't drink though
Sake?
Eh?
I don't drink either.
T/N: IS AN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE OF JAPANESE ORIGIN THAT IS MADE FROM FERMENTED RICE
SFX: Dun
.....
Sorry...
No alternate plan...?
...I don't really think it's something that needs an apology, but...
Well, That's alright
The unchanging things are also important

The Senate will not allow it cause of their event.
At 2 o'clock on the holiday, there is the "Sentaris." Religious leaders come and offer their prayers at that time.
There have definitely been other cases where similar proposals were rejected in the past.
This time would probably be no different.
Ehhh...
I hadn't realized at all...
So Sentaris is that place, right?
The temple which you have to go pray at once in their lives.
Is it really an such a far away place?
That just shows how important the event is considered.
The religious leaders are few and far between after all.

I see..
Then I guess we can't even have fireworks
I wonder if all loud noises are out of the question?
No. Although each year on the festival I've gone to the Senate...
No noise other than the fireworks are audible
I see
It's probably all right even if you don't worry about things like that
That's because the Senate's walls are high I guess
Nothing can enter inside but the outside noises and such almost all of them can probably be heard
Over the years, other than the 2 o clock time on the holiday, are there any other times that are not available?
No.
It's only the Senate-specific events that are probably like that.
After that everything is normal.
Understood

And the fire-works?
Eh?
Can you see them from the Senate?
?
Yes
I watch them every year from the courtyard.
Is that so?
And do you enjoy them?
Obviously
If that's the case, that's good then.
……
?
Angel.

The laboratory
How is it?
.....
For the time being, I still can't really get used to the atmosphere...
Ahaho!
But,
Although he's strange, he's pretty easy to talk to, right?
I'm talking about...

SFX: Whack
Jasmin ♥
Don't call me by that name.
That hurt-
A little.
I said don't call me that!
Jasmin! ♥
It's a cute name!!
Why not?

Hey
He's an interesting guy right? This Jasmin <3
GUYS THAT CALL ME BY THAT NAME CAN GET OUT!!
If it's in the hall way I'll endure being called that.
But this here is my labora-tory!
GET OUT!!!
It's all right because Jasmin isn't scary even when he yells!
Jasmin Fiorella.
Do you happen to know his full name by any chance?
No
They say his mother wanted a girl <3
BASTARD, I'LL KILL YOU!!!
LANTE!!
Simply put it's "A woman with the fragrance of flowers."

Ah...
It wos probably while I wasn't here
But I bet he said to call him by his title.
In other words... I guess he doesn't want to be called by that nome.?
Please call me Strategist.
Angel should definitely call him Josmin too!
No Definitely call me "Strategist" pleose.
Grin
SFX. bicker bicker
Anyhow here I'll call him "Strategist" to be sofe.
I can't listen to this anymore.
Quit messing around!
How about Josmin Strotegist!!
They're really noisy
Reguna, you idiot!
Yap yap yap

...Ah.
I see.
That might be
Noisy to me, but ..
This is probably how things are between them normally
In the castle, I am the one who has been closest to him all these years
Because of that, he probably wants to have fun with me.
That's how it seems if I look at this from His Majesty's perspective
.....
I should also...
Partici-pate a little...
.....
It's impos-sible.
chatter chatter
I can't think of anything
And it's so annoying

Well, well...
It's about time for Angle to leave.
So that's enough for now!
Let's return to the main issue!
...Tsk
Only because later I'll kick your butt properly
By all means
Until you've had enough!
Now,
Let's continue with what we were discussing earlier.
...
Is there anything else?
...Are you guys always like this?

Hmm...
When we are not working...
It usually is like this
.....
His Majesty also?
Yeah, I guess
His Majesty often comes here
He keeps it a secret from you
I was just being honest
Please don't be angry with His Majesty later
Is it something I should not ask about?
Well it's something like that...

From His Majesty's perspective,
He can enjoy himself without telling you.
I...
Even though I understand the situation, I believe that you are a person who listens to him
His Majesty doesn't believe this is the case.
But
I believe that you should know...
Since His Majesty thinks this way
.....
I'm opposed to it though.

Oh?
I can't trust him.
And I can't read his intentians either.
What merit is there?
Merit ?
I explained this to Angel.
L..
Want ta resaive that "Can't trust" situatian that yau speak af.
.....
That's..
Looks like it'll be an amazing story but...

Lante?
That person
Do you really think that you will be able to change his mind?

...“Force”
So that’s where you place me?
Isn’t this standard?
It is often said, yes.
But,
Is that really your own “standard,” I wonder?

The Oracle can use members of the public
Perhaps that's it
But beyond hitting on a person at random
I can probably select one by following standards
I see
Because of that,
"The Magician"
...Jasmin Fiorella?
The laboratory researcher?
His image is similar to this one
...Ah
I see...

Lante also gives me that kind of feeling.
But...
...Lante Fiirik, hm?
You said before that he was the white horse of the "The Chariot"
You also said he was "The Fool"
And this time he is "The Magician"?
THE FOO
THE MAGICIAN
In the book,
It is written that "The Magician" is a trickster.
...Well, if you look at the letter's you'll understand.
Yes.

In other words?
Has he even shown you magic?
Was that what you had in mind all along?
What are you talking about?
About His Majesty.
Forcibly bringing me to the laboratory
If I think about it, what the heck was that?!
The stuff about the fireworks was secondary wasn't it?

Na, it's not like that
We hadn't had a proper conversation about the fireworks
His Majesty has been frequently communicating with the laboratory
If the Senate finds out, what will they do?
You can see the problem here right?
In the Senate I will have to keep quiet and even then I won't always be there
If you were watching in silence,
Our trust was-
Putting that aside, Angel,
Will you also come watch the Emperor's Games with me this year?

You're changing the subject!!
Now you're telling me this...
I'm not changing it!
Well...
It will be alright if Angel tells the Senate this
"There is a frivalous and unscrupulous persan"
"That seems to be having a bad influence on His Majesty"
"Because of that I would like to be with him to monitor him and verify his intentions"

Say
That!!
Frivolous...
Unscru-
pulous ?
Yes!
Yes!
If say that, the Important Oracle-dono will have access to various places.
And they will most likely bend the rules,
And leave you alone, right?

They'll tell you to conduct regular surveillance on that leader of the knights
So what will you do?
In that case, I believe the Senate would undoubtedly make that proposal
If I did that... If I spread those kinds of rumors, would it be okay?
That's...
In other words, "Come and see" is what you're saying?
Yes, well
That's about right.
But...
Magic is made of tricks,
that deceive people with clever techniques.
"The Magician"
Is a "Trickster"
That can also be read as "The Trickster"
Please believe in me, Angel.

"It suits him, right?"